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Case Docket No. DANHSU.001C1

Date: June 9, 2003



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s) : Hsu et al.
Appl. No. : 09/975,143
Filed : October 21, 2001
For : GALECTIN EXPRESSION IS
INDUCED IN CIRRHOTIC
LIVER AND
HEPATOCELLULAR
CARCINOMA
Examiner : Unassigned
Group Art Unit : 1645

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Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

Enclosed for filing in the above-identified application are:


- (X) A Petition for Withdrawal as Attorney in 4 pages.
- (X) A copy of our letter to the applicant dated May 28, 2003, requesting signature on a Revocation Power of Attorney.
- (X) A copy of our letter to the applicant dated June 9, 2003, including a copy of this Petition, the address of the PTO where the applicant needs to write, and a copy of all papers and property to which the applicant is entitled.
- (X) A check in the amount of \$130.00 to cover the fee for the petition.
- (X) The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees, which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Account No. 11-1410.

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Re: U.S. Provisional Patent Application
Title: GALECTIN EXPRESSION IS INDUCED IN CIRRHOTIC LIVER AND
HEPATOCELLULAR CARCINOMA
Provisional Application No.: 60/129,111
Filed: April 13, 1999
Our Reference: DANHSU.001PR

U.S. Patent Application
Title: GALECTIN EXPRESSION IS INDUCED IN CIRRHOTIC LIVER AND
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PCT Patent Application
Title: GALECTIN EXPRESSION IS INDUCED IN CIRRHOTIC LIVER AND
HEPATOCELLULAR CARCINOMA
PCT Application No.: PCTUS00/08561
Filed: March 29, 2000
Our Reference: DANHSU.001VPC

Dear Dan:

We had hoped by now to have reached a mutually acceptable resolution with respect to your past due payments on your account. As you are aware, these costs were incurred in representing you in the above-mentioned applications. Your account balance now stands at \$1,932.34 and no payment has been received.

Since no agreement regarding payment has been reached, we have decided to withdraw from representing you and incurring additional fees and costs in connection with your pending patent application.

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May 28, 2003

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Please sign and return the enclosed "Revocation of Power of Attorney" form and we will forward all files to you. If we do not receive the executed form by June 5, 2003, we will proceed to petition the Patent Office to withdraw as your attorneys. We regret that this matter has to be resolved in this manner. Please call if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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Eric S. Farman, Ph.D.

Enclosure

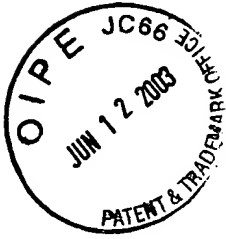
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We have received no reply to our letter of May 28, 2003 in which we informed you of our decision to withdraw from representing you and requested that you sign and return a "Revocation of Power of Attorney."

Since no reply to our letter was received, we have petitioned the Patent Office to withdraw as your attorneys. A copy of the "Petition for Withdrawal as Attorney" is enclosed. Also enclosed is the group of files prosecuted by our firm.

Please take notice of the following facts. Your application was filed on October 21, 2001 and its current status is Pending. There is no outstanding term for response.

Future correspondence regarding your patent matter should be addressed to:

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Attention: Director Group 1645

Any such correspondence should clearly identify the serial number and filing date of your application, and should be directed to Group Art Unit 1645.

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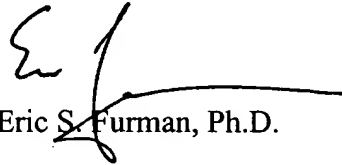
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Since this application was filed after June 7, 1995, the life of any patent issued on it will expire at a date that begins to run from the filing date, rather than the issue date, as in the past. However, the patent will not become effective until it is issued, and thus, if the application is not prosecuted promptly to issuance, the effective life of the patent will be shortened.

We regret that this matter has to be resolved in this manner. Please call if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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